

PIPER PAN.

BUCKLAND, JUNIOR.

The remains of another white rhinoceros have just arrived in this country, and are now being set up by Mr. Rowland Ward, of Piccadilly. This animal not long since was comparatively common in South Africa, but owing to the advance of civilisation into its haunts, and the hunting of it by sportsmen, now exists there in very small numbers, and no doubt it will shortly become extinct. The white rhinoceros is a rarity in museums, and it was not until recently that our national collection contained an adult specimen, a young one, and a harems been previously exhibited in

THE ACTOR.

It is pleasant to know that we Londoners shall have at least one more opportunity of seeing and hearing "The Chieftain"—namely at the Ambassadors' Theatre on Monday evening, April 1st. Why had "The Chieftain" only a three months' run at the Savoy? I should be disposed to offer two reasons: the comparative weakness of the first act, and the unattractive title of the piece. Of course there was the influenza and the bad weather, but "The Chieftain" was not a name to conjure with. Indeed, it suggested rather a Scottish laird than the Duke of Hamilton, a bandit. There is a good deal in a title, and

English opera at Drury Lane and Mr. Frank's new comedy at the Court—these

OLD IZAAK.

The Westbourne Park Piscatorial Club held a high festival on Tuesday last, on the occasion of their annual dinner, which, in the hall

GENERAL CHATTER.

That Nonconformist paper, the "Le Mercury" is much gratified by the recollection from a body of Methodists of a resolution "thanking the proprietors for excluding betting and gambling news from the journal." On glancing at the next page, and several columns devoted to gambling on the Stock Exchange and in the produce markets, while the proprietors habitually give insertion to accounts of races, foot-

MADAME.

MR. WHEELER.

The Northern Camp is in a very difficult position, and on all hands I hear commendation of the move to Scarborough. The side men are said to be going to make an effort to continue the Harrogate gathering, but the worst thing I can wish them is to have to work with the local cricket club. On the other hand, I hear that not only will a very special effort be made to take a London party to Scarborough, but it is more than likely that a section of the Southern campers will also make the journey to Northern Brighton. The fact that a

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AT REASONABLE PRICES.

LAST WEEK'S LAW AND POLICE.

MR. CHARLES COBURN AND THE PALACE.—Mr. Charles Coburn, the well-known music hall artist, again appeared before the Court of Appeal and complained of the compromise arrived at in his action against the Palace Theatre, to which he said he did not give his consent. It will be remembered that the action arose out of his song, "Come Where the Boogie is Cheaper." During the singing of this song at the Palace Theatre, part of the audience expressed disapproval of it, and in consequence of Mr. Coburn's termination of his engagement, the Palace Company brought his action against the company, and this resulted in Mr. Coburn's favour. Against this decision the company appealed, and when the matter was brought before the Appeal Court the Master of the Rolls suggested a compromise, because, as Lord Esher frankly remarked on Saturday, that "if the case had gone on the court would have been bound to decide against Mr. Coburn." A compromise was arrived at, and Mr. Coburn now alleged that this was done behind his back, and asked for a re-hearing. The Court listened to Mr. Coburn very attentively, and advised him not to persist in this matter, because if he went on he would be going a good way to ruin himself. Lord Esher told him that his lordships were going to protect him against himself. He said it was natural that Mr. Coburn should have added to the audience, and the words of an agreement were so strong that they gave power to the proprietors to do what they liked. Their lordships thought that they would be doing him a good service by dismissing his application, but made no order as to costs.

BARON THURLOW APPEARS.—The Appeal Court declined, on the appeal of the Official Receiver, to upset an order made by Mr. Registrar Linklater in February last, who refused to adjudicate Baron Thurlow bankrupt, and extended the time to enable the debtor to lodge a proposal for a scheme and arrangement. The lordships also refused leave to appeal to the House of Lords.

FAILURE OF AN ACTOR.—A receiving order has been made against Victor Stevens, actor, described as of the Lyceum Theatre. The insolvency is said to be due to losses in connection with theatrical tours.

IMPORTANT TO MASTERS AND SERVANTS.—In the Queen's Bench, Mr. Justice Hawkins heard the case of Robb v. Green, which raises a point of considerable importance between masters and servants. The plaintiff is a large game breeder and a vendor of pheasants and other game. The defendant was his employee as a gamekeeper. Subsequent to this date the defendant entered into a similar business on his own account, and it was alleged on behalf of the plaintiff, and admitted on behalf of the defendant, that after circulating a list of names of the plaintiff's customers (his former employer), the names and addresses of whom he had obtained from plaintiff's books. The plaintiff brought his action for damages and for an injunction to restrain the defendant using the list procured from his books, and the main question to be decided was whether the defendant was not legally entitled to do what he had done. Evidence was called on behalf of plaintiff and defendant, and the hearing was adjourned for a week.

SALE OF A BUTCHER'S BUSINESS.—Mr. Alfred Potter brought an action against Mr. G. Rush in connection with the sale of a butcher's business at Bournemouth. The plaintiff stated that in August last he saw an advertisement in the "Daily Telegraph" that the defendant had a butcher's business for sale at Bournemouth. He sent a letter to make an inquiry, and he alleged that the defendant represented that the average takings of the business were £120 per week, and that the prices realised were first-class prices. The plaintiff purchased the business for £250, and said that immediately he got into possession he found the takings were only £70 and 7s. Defendant denied he made any representations, and contended he showed his books to the plaintiff's wife. After defendant had been examined, Mr. Justice Mathew suggested a compromise, and after consultation with Mr. Martin's judgment was given for the plaintiff for £85, with costs of the action, and judgment for the defendant in his counter-claim of £100, £25 being for furniture and £15 being the amount of book debts collected by plaintiff on behalf of defendant. Both these items were admitted.

DUCHESS OF LEEDS' WILL.—Mr. Justice Stirling in the Chancery Division determined the question as to how certain annuities under the will of the Duchess of Leeds, who died in 1874, should be paid. There was one of £100 a year for life to her maid, and £50 a year to her house steward, sufficient annuities for payment in 3 per cent. Consols. His lordship said that as to the security required to guarantee the annual payments the sum should be a little larger than the Commissioners of the National Debt had accepted in consideration of the grant of the annuities. The rate of interest on Consols, said 4 per cent. of the capital. They would find the amount necessary, and then allow a twenty-fifth more.

MONEY LENDING CASE.—In the Queen's Bench Division Mr. Justice Cave had before him the case of *Salway v. Raymond*, which was an action to recover the sum of £47 10s., alleged balance due on a promissory note. The defendant had borrowed a sum of money from the plaintiff, giving him a promissory note for £50, agreeing to pay back by instalments, with the stipulation that if any instalment was not paid the proper date the whole amount of the balance should become due and payable. The first instalment was paid when it became due. The second instalment was not paid on the day it fell due, but on the day following was tendered by defendant, and was accepted by plaintiff. The third instalment was not paid, and was issued for £47 10s., which was the balance after the first instalment had been paid. Plaintiff's counsel argued that he had a right to sue for the whole balance although the second instalment had been accepted, whereas defendant's counsel contended that the plaintiff had waived his right to sue. His lordship held that the plaintiff had waived his right, and gave judgment for the defendant with costs.

ACTION AGAINST TURKISH MERCHANTS.—The case of *Mezars, Levy and Company v. Nadie* and others was an action to recover the sum of £207 19s. 7d., and was brought by the plaintiffs, who are merchants of Plevna, in Turkey, set up payment by bills of a third party, which, however, had been dishonoured. Counsel for defendants stated that the plaintiffs having accepted the third party's bills, defendants were discharged from liability. Mr. Justice Cave held that that was not so, and gave judgment for the plaintiff for the full amount claimed, and stayed execution until bills were given up to the defendants.

LONDON AND SOUTH-WESTERN RAILWAY.—The question of rates charged on the London and South-Western Railway, the complaint being that preference is given to foreign trade, has occupied the Court of Railway and Canal Commission for seven days. The arguments of counsel were finished, and judgment was reserved.

COLLISION IN THE MERSEY.—In the Admiralty Division the owners of the flat Sprat claimed to have suffered damage by reason of a collision with the steam

tug Pathfinder, which took place on Feb. 5 last in the Mersey. At the time the Sprat, of 150 tons, was proceeding with a cargo of coal from Birkenhead to the Queen's Dock, Liverpool, while the Pathfinder, a paddle wheel steam tug, of 326 tons, was proceeding to the Prince's Landing Stage. Great damage was done to both vessels.—Adjourned.

BOW-STREET.—A QUIET GAME.—Frederick Hillman and George Newland were charged with refractory conduct, and refusing to perform their allotted task at St. Giles's Workhouse. The prisoners are strong, healthy young men, but just before breakfast time they took their seats in the quarters occupied by the aged and infirm, their object being to secure a better meal. The labour master refused to give them anything there. Consequently they went without their breakfast. After the breakfast hour they were given some work to do, but they refused to do anything, and were subsequently found engaged in a game of draughts. They were committed to the custody of the police for three days' hard labour.

ADVANTAGE OF EARLY RISING.—Henry Woolf, no occupation, was charged with burglary.—Early that morning prisoner entered the house 55, Gower-street, by means of the dining-room window. The house is occupied by Mr. Fankhurst, fruit broker, Covent Garden. At 5 o'clock he rose for the purpose of going to business, and went into the hall for his overcoat. Greatly to his surprise he found it had disappeared. He called to his wife, and she said she had not seen it. He then went to the dining-room window and saw the prisoner running away. He rushed into the room, and saw the prisoner half way through the window, and pulled him back by the coat tails, at the same time shouting to his husband, "I've got him!"—P.C. 381 D was called, and took the prisoner into custody. In a bag under his coat were knives, forks, and spoons. He had picked up a musical box, and four boxes of cigars, a musical box, and the overcoat which had led to his detection.—Remanded.

Marylebone.—A BRUTE.—Charles Evans, cabinet-maker, was charged on remand with disorderly conduct and brutally assaulting the police.—The evidence was that the prisoner was creating a great disturbance in Albany-street, St. Pancras, by banging at the door of one of the houses and shouting, and when asked by P.C. Worth, 4 B R, to go away he rushed at him and struck him first on the nose and then in the mouth, cutting his lower lip completely through, and throwing him to the ground, where he remained for some time until picked up by P.C. 616 S. The last named said the prisoner kicked his comrade as he lay senseless on the ground, and was himself struck in the mouth in the struggle to get him to the police station.—Committed for trial.

West London.—A SNOORING LODGER.—Mr. Curtis Bennett heard an amusing application for advice. A young man stated that he had rented a flat for three years, and a lodger in the room over him snored when he bed like a prize over him. (Laughter.) Applicant could not sleep in consequence of the noise, and wished to know if he should proceed against the tenant or the landlord.—Mr. Curtis Bennett: What for—to prevent a man from snoring? I have heard a great many applications, but never against a tenant for snoring. (Laughter.) The applicant said he did not want to leave the place.—Mr. Curtis Bennett: It is some of the benefits of flat life. (Laughter.) There have been one or two examples lately, and this is another.—The applicant also stated that the snoring lodger he had for three years. Mr. Curtis Bennett: Go to your landlord and see if he will release you.—The Applicant: Can you give a summons against him?—Mr. Curtis Bennett: Against the man for snoring? (Laughter.)—Applicant: No, against the landlord.—Mr. Curtis Bennett said he could not assist the applicant.

ALLEGED EXTENSIVE ROBBERIES.—Alfred Bellamy, chemist, and his wife were charged with being concerned in stealing a clock, an overcoat, two salvers, and other articles of silver value £40, the property of Mr. J. B. Martin, banker, residing at Hyde Park Gate, Kensington.—It was alleged that the female prisoner entered Mr. Martin's service as a domestic, and was employed to make inquiries. The prisoner went away, promising to call again in an hour, but he never returned. On Friday night, Mr. Martin, who was in the company of Det. Yeo, arrested the male prisoner in the neighbourhood of Tottenham Court-road, and charged him with being concerned in the robbery of a considerable amount of property from Hyde Park Gate. The accused said a man gave him the salvers, but he did not know where he resided. Sgt. Martin informed the magistrate that there were several other cases of stealing plate in various parts of the metropolis, and the practice for the wife to obtain situations by means of false characters, written by her husband, and then absconding with the stolen property.—Mr. Curtis Bennett said both prisoners had been charged at the court before.—Sgt. Martin: Yes, sir, in a similar case, and prisoners were committed for trial, but the woman was acquitted.—Remanded.

North London.—SALVATION ARMY PAY.—A poor woman applied for assistance from the poor-box. She said she had a husband ill in bed, and although she was able to earn a little money herself, she was quite unable to keep the household going.—Mr. Mead inquired what she did to earn her money, and the applicant replied that she worked at the Salvation Army laundry. Her pay was one penny a dozen for towels, 3d. a dozen for body linen, and 1d. a dozen for sheets.—Mr. Mead: Surely you have made a mistake; you get more than 1d. a dozen for sheets.—Applicant: No, we do not.—Mr. Mead: Do you have to find your own materials?—Applicant: The water, soap, &c., are found for us, but we have to provide our own brushes, which cost us 6d. each. If I work as hard as I can from Tuesday morning till Thursday night, all I can earn is 4s. 6d.—Mr. Mead: And the same inquiry made, and I will have some inquiry made, and I will give you some assistance.

CAPTURE OF BURGLARS.—Thomas Wilson, 19, table maker, who refused his address, and Charles Baker, 17, were charged with having been concerned together with another man, not in custody, in breaking and entering the dwelling house of Arthur Thomas King, of Elmwood-road, Finsbury Park, and stealing therein two clocks and other articles valued at 30s. the property of Franz John Emmel, traveller, who lodges in the house. The house was left unattended on Friday evening, and the property was recovered, and the two men were charged. The prosecutor deposed that it had been entered by the front door, and that three men had been seen to leave, two of whom had been caught. Proceeding to the police station he saw the two men, and charged them. A portion of the property was recovered, and he identified the things as her husband's.—Remanded.

Highgate.—CURE FOR INFLUENZA.—John Butler, 35, labourer, of Cannon-place, Hornsey Vale, was charged with being drunk, with breaking a glass-paned door, value 24s., at the Angel Inn, Highgate, and with assaulting John Palmer, the landlord.—The prosecutor deposed that prisoner, who had been drinking, visited his house on Friday morning. They refused to supply him with liquor, and the accused then became violent and broke the door mentioned in the charge. With assistance prosecutor took him to the police station, and charged him. On arriving there prisoner was again violent, and when placed in a cell tried to break the seat by kicking it. He told the sole nearly of one of his boots before P.C. Skelton succeeded in quieting him.—Prisoner, who made no defence, was remanded in custody. As he was being removed to the cells by Sgt. Evans he said that officer that he had had a bad factor influenza. He followed the advice of a friend and drank rum and ale, mixed as a cure, and it "took effect" on him.

Clerkenwell.—THEATRE PICKPOCKET.—George Wilson, 21, labourer, St. John's-road, Hoxton, was charged with stealing from the person of Florence Harlow, a purse containing 4s. and a gold ring value 41 5s.—The prosecutor, a single woman, stated that she was leaving the Grand Theatre, Islington, and found that her purse had gone. She called out, and prisoner who was pointed out to her as the thief, was given in custody.—George Fisher deposed to seeing the prisoner and another man together outside the theatre, and heard Wilson say to his companion, "Come and cover up my dukes." The two men went close to the prosecutor, and prisoner, lifting up prosecutor's jacket, put his hand in her dress pocket underneath. She then called out that she had lost her purse, upon which witness pointed prisoner out, and a constable seized hold of him. The purse was not recovered, and the prisoner was committed for trial.

Thames.—HIGHWAY ROBBERY IN THE EAST END.—George Clark, 30, was charged with assaulting and robbing John Hillstrum, a sailor, staying at the Sailors' Home, East India Dock-road.—On Friday evening prosecutor was walking along the Mile End-road when he was accosted by prisoner and some other men. In addition to being severely knocked about, he was robbed of £5.—Constables Unwin and Muston saw what took place, followed the prisoner, and, after a smart chase, succeeded in capturing him. On the way to the station Muston heard something rattle in Clark's mouth, and the officers put him face down on the ground, when 23 lbs. fell out of his mouth. Clark then said, "I picked it up off the footway." At the station he said, "You cannot charge me on a drunken man's evidence."—Committed for trial.

Worship-street.—LONDON'S SIDE SHOWS.—Complaints of the obstruction to the free passage of the footway in High-street, Shoreditch, occasioned by the holding of "exhibitions" of skeletons, &c., in shops in that thoroughfare, led to the appearance of two proprietors of such shows. The first case was against "Tom" Norman, holding a show at 131, High-street, Shoreditch, and the second case against a tall woman who answered to the name of Helen Kewling, exhibiting a boxing contest between a man and a woman, and in the other tricks of legerdemain.—Each fined 40s. and costs.

Lambeth.—ACROBAT AND APPRENTICE.—Joseph Houghton, 14, described as an acrobat's apprentice, was charged on remand with stealing 30s. from the money box of a Frenchman, 30, who he absconded with 30s., belonging to his master, and was afterwards arrested at Liverpool, where his parents reside. Both the boy's father and the prosecutor now consented to the indentures being cancelled.—Mr. Hopkins cancelled the indentures, and the boy was handed over to the care of his aunt, Mrs. Douglas, whose husband will endeavour to get him to sea.

PROSECUTING A MOTHER.—Emma Phillips, 60, of Kincaid-road, Peckham, was charged with being drunk and disorderly, and with breaking a window, the property of George Phillips.—The prosecutor said the prisoner was his mother, and had been living with him. On Friday night she returned home under the influence of drink, and interfered with the children. He asked her what she meant by such conduct, and she answered that she was drunk. He ordered her out of the house, and she then smashed a window.—Mr. Hopkins: Are you going to take her back again?—Prosecutor: No, sir.—The prisoner expressed her regret.—Bound over in her own recognisances in 25 to be of good behaviour for six months.

BARNHAM AND CUMMINGS.—William Barnham, 37, labourer, was charged with assaulting George Holland, and with breaking a plate-glass window, value £10, the property of William Penton Ockmore.—Mr. W. H. Armstrong, who prosecuted, was afraid he could not sustain the charge of wilful damage, as the window appeared to have been broken during a struggle between the prisoner and the prosecutor Holland.—The evidence showed that on Friday night the accused went into the Lord Palmerston public-house, Lordship-lane. In consequence of the man's previous misconduct, Mr. Ockmore, the landlord, had given directions that he should not be received, acting upon these instructions Holland, the barman, asked the prisoner to leave, which he did. Shortly afterwards Holland had to go outside to light the gas, when the prisoner went up to him and struck him a violent blow in the eye. In the struggle which ensued the window was broken.—Prisoner promised that nothing of the kind should occur again.—Fined 40s. and 20s. costs, or one month.

South-Western.—SMART CARRIAGE TRIP.—John Hoskin, 22, and George Moore, 23, both giving addresses in Commercial-road East, were charged with being concerned in stealing a purse containing 41 7s. 6d., some stamps, and a railway ticket, belonging to Mrs. Florence Steadman, residing in Newstead-road, Brompton, and with breaking a third class carriage at Waterloo, intending to travel to Guildford, when the prisoners entered. Hoskin sat next to her, and held a paper in front of him, but did not seem to read much. At Clapham Junction the prisoners left the carriage hurriedly, and she immediately missed the purse and the railway ticket.—Det. Ottaway said that

on Saturday morning the prisoners entered London Bridge Railway Station. Having previous knowledge of the men, he watched them. They took tickets for Cannon-street, and after walking up and down the platform, they entered a carriage and travelled to Cannon-street, where they alighted. They then looked to Waterloo, and entered a compartment where there were several ladies. He followed in the same train. At Waterloo they took tickets for Clapham Junction. On arriving there they left the carriage hurriedly. He seized hold of them, and was proceeding to search Hoskin, when Moore said, "Never mind searching him, here it is," and produced the purse with its contents.—The prisoners were remanded, and the magistrate wrote on the charge and the evidence shown by John Ottaway in arresting the prisoners is deserving of commendation at the hands of the authorities.

Southwark.—ASSAULT ON A WOMAN.—Charles Lyall was charged with assaulting Ellen Barnes, a married woman, living in Boundary-row. The prosecutor stated that on Friday night she left her house to fetch something for supper, when she met the prisoner, who was with his wife. He rushed up to her and deliberately kicked her on the left leg, inflicting a bad bruise.—P.C. 109 L, deposed to the complainant speaking to him, and going in search of the prisoner, whom he ultimately found in Blackfriars-road. Prisoner said he had had a drop of drink, and did not remember anything of the assault.—Fined 20s. or 14 days.

Disorderly Conduct.—Charles Stanhope, a respectable-looking youth, was charged with disorderly conduct.—P.C. 128 M said that on Friday night he saw the prisoner in some other house behaving in a disorderly manner in Old Kent-road, throwing things at pedestrians, and pushing them off the pavement. After a chase prisoner was arrested.—Bound over in his own recognisances of 25 to be of good behaviour.

Croydon.—CAUTION TO CHILDREN.—Emma Rideout, West-street, Croydon, was charged with cruelly ill-treating and neglecting two children named Walter Aiston, 2 years and 8 months, and Sydney Aiston, 12 months.—The mother is a married woman, named Lottie Aiston, and being separated from her husband, handed the children over to the prisoner's care. In consequence of complaints of neighbours, Inspector Martin, of C.C., visited the house and saw the children, the elder of which had two black eyes, face covered with bruises, bridge of the nose broken, and both cheeks and temple bruised. He appeared very ill, apparently from the ill-treatment and neglect. A closer examination revealed several bruises on the young boy's body, and was very thin and emaciated. Witness said they had seen Walter many times beaten with the hand, plunged into cold water, and thrown about the room. The woman was paid 5s. a week for their keep.—Fined 45s. or one month.

Assaulting Two P.C.s.—Michael Donovan, a rough-looking man, was charged with assaulting two constables.—P.C. 522 W deposed that he heard the prisoner, who was drunk, shouting in High-street, Carshalton, and as he used bad language when spoken to, witness took him into custody. He then became very violent, and witness held him down while the other constable arrived when he hit the prisoner the left side with his fist. P.C. Teague then came up, and the prisoner deliberately kicked him on the leg.—Fined 10s. and 9s. costs, or 14 days.

INQUESTS.—RESTAURANT KEEPER'S SUICIDE.—Mr. Drew held an inquest on the body of Antonio Giandomini, 44, restaurant-keeper, King-street, Shoreditch.—The evidence showed that the deceased was in pecuniary trouble and had given way to intemperance. Six weeks ago he threatened to shoot himself. On Tuesday morning the servant, Caroline Woolf, found him lying dead on one of the lounges in the shop. A bottle containing opium and brandy was found on the table. The witness stated that deceased's mind had been unbalanced through drink and money embarrassments.—Dr. Reid deposed that death was due to opium poisoning.—Suicide while of unsound mind.

KILLED BY A BUS.—Dr. Danford Thomas held an inquest on the body of Hannah Williams, 61, housekeeper in the employ of Mr. Webb, cheesemonger, Edgware-road. About 8 o'clock on Wednesday evening deceased crossed the Edgware-road, close to the shop, and was about to leave the Obelisk at the junction of Harrow-road, when she was caught by the pole of a West Kilburn omnibus and knocked down the near side of the pole passing over her body. She was taken to St. Mary's Hospital, where she soon afterwards expired. Death was due to fractured ribs and rupture of the liver.—Verdict, accidental death; driver exonerated.

NOTHING TO LIVE FOR.—Mr. Braxton Hicks held an inquest into the death of Thomas Wilson, Dudley, 36, insurance agent, Kennington Park-road.—The evidence of several witnesses showed that before Christmas deceased became very depressed, and cut his throat. He recovered, and subsequently was charged with the offence and remanded. On the 5th inst. he wrote a letter, which was found in his possession on the 11th inst. It was as follows: "There is nothing in this world to live for but misery. My body will be found in the River Thames."—Signed, Thomas William Dudley.—On the 11th inst. he called at a coffee-house in York-road, engaged a bed, and told the landlord that he need not trouble himself in calling him, as he was moving to a house at a respectable distance. When his room door was forced open he was found dead in bed.—Dr. Rowe said death had resulted from opium poisoning.—Suicide while of unsound mind.

FOUND WITH HIS THROAT CUT.—Mr. Baxter held an inquest respecting the death of a man, whose name was not given, who was found on Thursday the body of deceased was brought to him at Wapping by a man named Douglas, who stated that he had found it floating in the Thames off Shadwell Basin. Witness had it removed to the mortuary, where he found that the throat was cut in several places. The body, which was that of a respectable-looking man, had been in the water about a month.—Dr. Hamilton deposed that he found three wounds in the throat. There was very little blood in the body, and it seemed certain that the throat was cut before the body got into the water. The cause of death was syncope produced by the loss of blood. The direction of the wounds did not point to suicide, unless the man was left-handed.—Open verdict.

AFTER INFLUENZA.—Dr. Danford Thomas held an inquest on the body of Eveline Marian Frimley, 27, of Cambridge-square, Hyde Park.—On the 6th inst. deceased complained of being unwell, and remained in bed for a few days. On Tuesday evening she was sitting in her bedroom and found her forehead against the wardrobe.—Dr. Goddard, Norfolk-terrace, found that she had been dead for some hours, death having resulted from heart disease after an attack of influenza.—Verdict accordingly.

CHILD'S MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.—Mr. Baxter held an inquest on the body of Amelia Smith, 16, daughter of a dock labourer, Leven-road, Bromley.—The father stated that his daughter suffered from a weak heart.—Robert Wilkins, dock labourer, deposed that on Thursday afternoon he saw the deceased with a child in her arms in Abbot's-road. She suddenly fell forward. Witness ran to her, but she was dead, and it was with difficulty that the child could be released from her clasp. What that was effected it was found to be unajured.—Dr. Hope said that death was due to syncope from malformation of the heart.—Natural death.

DIED IN A STABLE.—Mr. Lewis concluded an inquiry relative to the death of Frank Allport, 33, cab-driver, Stonycroft-lane, Woodford Bridge.—Emma Allport, landlady of the deceased, said he had lodged with her for 12 months. Latterly he had been drinking to excess. On Thursday witness heard him shouting and raving in his bedroom, and shortly after that he jumped out of the window. The deceased rapped at the front door, and witness let him in again. He afterwards left the house at 8.30, and that was the last witness saw of him. Thomas Almond, job-master, stated that the deceased had been in his employ. On Friday morning the deceased turned up "all of a shake," and witness advised him to see a doctor. On Friday night the deceased slept in witness's bus in the stable. On Saturday witness found him sitting in the stable, where he died. He did not think the deceased was so seriously ill.—Dr. Gordon said the cause of death was syncope consequent on chronic bronchitis, and probably influenza, accelerated by excessive drinking and exposure.—Verdict accordingly.

CHILD STRANDED.—Dr. Wynn Westcott held an inquiry into the death of a newly-born female child, of unknown parentage, whose body was found in the Regent's Canal with a piece of tape tied tightly round the neck.—Dr. Lighthorne, Bow-road, deposed that the body had been in the water about a week. There was a punctured wound over the left eye penetrating to the brain, with a hole large enough to admit of the insertion of the little finger. Witness found a piece of tape, which had been twisted several times round the neck, was strangulation from the tape which must have been intentional and not the result of accident.—Wilful murder against some person or persons unknown.

WOULD NOT HAVE A DOCTOR.—Dr. Danford Thomas held an inquest on the body of Anne Evans, 56, dressmaker, Chapel-street, Clerkenwell.—The evidence showed that for over 12 months she had not left the house, and lived chiefly on milk and gin. She had been ailing, but refused medical advice. On Wednesday she was taken worse, and died before a doctor arrived.—Dr. Wright deposed that death was due to syncope whilst suffering from fatty degeneration of the heart and chronic bronchitis.—Verdict accordingly.

JURIED UNDER A TRAIN.—Mr. Langham held an inquest on the body of John William Seward, 48, warehouseman, Huddleston-road, Forest Gate.—Leonard Brooks, a warehouseman, Huddleston-road, identified the body as that of his step-father, whom he last saw alive on Wednesday morning at Forest Gate Station. Deceased, who was going to King's Cross to business, had no trouble whatever, but about four weeks ago he had influenza. Edward Howard, Truman's-road, Stoke Newington, stated that on Wednesday morning he saw the deceased, who was standing on the edge of Moorgate-street Station platform, jump deliberately in front of a train which was entering the station. When picked up by a station inspector at Moorgate-street, gave corroborative evidence.—P.C. Ambrose, City Police, said that on the way to St. Bartholomew's Hospital the deceased uttered several sentences. He said, "Oh! my poor back. I'm going to King's Cross. Take me home. My name is J. W. Seward."—Dr. Frazer, house surgeon, deposed that death was due to collapse of the lungs, consequent on the injuries received.—Suicide while temporarily insane.

THE VOLUNTEERS.—On Saturday afternoon, the National Challenge Trophy and Elcho Shield, won by Scotland at Baley last year, were handed over to the Lord Provost of Edinburgh. As in former years, the occasion was one of considerable display by the Volunteers. A procession marched through the principal streets, the trophies being carried by members of the team. Light Infantry, the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, and the Queen's Own Cameron Highlanders, took part. After the trophies had been handed over there was a distribution of Volunteer long-service medals.

The 3rd London Rifles held their first meeting at Rainham. The best records were made by Sgt. Edmond, 75; Pte. Horton, 73; Sgt. Shepherd, 71; Pte. Taylor, 71; O. R. Sgt. Goldob, 69; Pte. King, 68; Pte. Minstredale, 68; Sgt. Wheeler, 68; Pte. Wright, 68; Corp. Wyatt, 66; Pte. Ford, 66; Corp. Knowles, 66; Arm. Sgt. Gattrell, 66; and Pte. Thompson, 66 points. At Baley, the 1st Surrey Rifles practised in the morning, and the 2nd Surrey Rifles in the afternoon. The 1st Surrey Rifles were the top scorers for prizes. In Series II, Pte. Barchus was top with 97; Sgt. Fulton, G.M., 97; Pte. Lome, S.M., 91; and Sgt. Wilson, 89. In Series III, Pte. Challen, 70; Pte. Williams, 68; and Pte. King, 71. In Series III, Pte. Taylor, 48; Pte. Planterose, 46; and Pte. Bertelle, 40 points. In the 4th East Surrey competition, Sgt. Main, Nightingale road, was the top scorer, with 87 points. The 2nd Royal Fusiliers competition, the best scores were made by Col. Ockmore, 89; Sgt. Sharpe, 83; and Pte. Taylor, 80 points.

The 4th West Surrey competed at Kennington. Best scores were—Orderly non-com. Sgt. Dyer, 83; Pte. Groves, 36; Sgt. Morgan, 37; Pte. Whittle, 23; Corp. Clark, 24; Sgt. Smithman, 24; Pte. Edwards, 24; Sgt. Innes, 24; Pte. Williams, 24; and Pte. Crocker, 24. The 4th Surrey Rifles were the top scorers for prizes. In Series II, Pte. Barchus was top with 97; Sgt. Fulton, G.M., 97; Pte. Lome, S.M., 91; and Sgt. Wilson, 89. In Series III, Pte. Challen, 70; Pte. Williams, 68; and Pte. King, 71. In Series III, Pte. Taylor, 48; Pte. Planterose, 46; and Pte. Bertelle, 40 points. In the 4th East Surrey competition, Sgt. Main, Nightingale road, was the top scorer, with 87 points. The 2nd Royal Fusiliers competition, the best scores were made by Col. Ockmore, 89; Sgt. Sharpe, 83; and Pte. Taylor, 80 points.

The London Scottish went for battalion drill to Hyde Park. The 2nd London went to the Horse Guards Parade. Sgt. Inst. Pope received the long-service medal awarded by the commander-in-chief. East London Brigade signallers practised in Hyde Park. 1st London Engineers went to Hampstead for attack and defence practice. Civil Service Rifles did similar duty at Wimbledon.

F. Company 1st Middlesex received prizes. Chief winners were—Sgt. Kerwell, Sgt. G. H. Stockman, Drummer Macall, Ptes. Colgate and Teague, Col. Sgt. Gray, Ptes. Richardson, W. Miller, Lewis, Fitch, Lynch, and others. Entertainment were given by the 4th East Surrey, 3rd London Rifles, 19th Middlesex, 2nd Fusiliers, 1st Tower Hamlets Sergeants' dinner was held at headquarters.

The Richmond and Kingston Companies 3rd V.B. East Surrey Regiment had a combined march. In the evening, Brightford long-service medals were presented by the 4th Surrey Rifles to 51 non-commissioned officers and gunners.

Lambeth is still practically cut off from a supply of water. An Irish promenade concert was given at the Crystal Palace last week.

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PROSECUTION OF LIBERATOR DIRECTORS.

The hearing of the charges against the directors of the Liberator and other Balfour companies was resumed at the Guildhall on Wednesday. Mr. Tarver, the secretary of the Building Societies Company, continuing his evidence, said the accounts for 1893 were considered at a board meeting at which Major Wright and Mr. Goldwells, M.P., were present. At that time the company borrowed money at the rate of 50 per cent. Mr. James Balfour was chairman, and he drafted the entries in the minute-book. When it was decided to purchase the Romford estate the amount of purchase money was left blank in the letter sent to the House and Land Trust. This was afterwards filled in by the witness as the office of the House and Land Company. Mr. Bramall was assisting witness to find some documents, when Mr. Lee Roberts, who appeared for Mr. Goldwells, said, "Do not coach the witness, Mr. Bramall." The Alderman, Mr. Reilly, Mr. Roberts, I think that remark must be called for. But for Mr. Bramall, I know how long this case would have lasted. I am surprised that you should raise that objection at the last moment, when it has been going on all through the case. Mr. Lee Roberts: Many things have been going on which ought not to have been so. The Alderman: All I can say is that you are greatly to blame for them. Cross-examined, witness said Mr. Dibley signed because he objected to Balfour endorsing bills and allotting shares in other companies without the consent of the board. He made a statutory declaration to the effect that no previous debenture had been issued, and afterwards with Mr. Roke drafted the prospectus. He made out the accounts and each of the other documents, and at Mr. Balfour's instructions added sufficient sums to profit to pay the usual dividends. Mr. Matthews intimated that in addition to the charges already preferred, Mr. Wright and Mr. Goldwells would be further charged with having as directors of the Building Societies Company, between December, 1891, and May, 1892, made false entries in the books, and further that they did make, circulate, and publish written statements of accounts which they knew to be false. Mr. Brock, Mr. Wright, and Mr. Goldwells were charged with having unlawfully conspired with Balfour to commit the misdemeanours which had been the subject of the investigation, as well as the misdemeanours with which they were about to be charged in relation to the Liberator Building Society. Mr. Goldwells would not figure in the Liberator prosecution. On Thursday, George Burgess, clerk of the House and Land Trust, recalled the entries in the books of his company, which coincided with the figures of the published balance-sheet for 1890 were all entered by Mr. Roke. Mr. Walter Bramall, Senior Examiner in Bankruptcy, explained the state of affairs of the Liberator Company at the time of winding-up. At that time £250,000 was due to the company, and almost all of which was paid by Hobbs and Company, the Real Estate Company, and the House and Land Trust. As early as 1870 the society was advancing short loans to the various Balfour companies or to Hobbs and Newman, the majority of which were repaid as soon as they were made. The documents found among the company's papers in which the auditors suggested that the accounts of Hobbs and the House and Land Trust should be carefully considered, as well as the question of dividends. Adjourned till April 4.

There were but three First League matches on Saturday. Everton made sure of one of their few league matches, away from home, too, by defeating Burnley by 4 goals to 2. Nottingham Forest drew with Bolton Wanderers, and Small Heath, playing at home, were beaten by Derby County by 3 goals to 1. In London there were several engagements, in which a great deal of interest was felt. Stoke paid a visit to Leyton, to meet the Corinthians, who were not quite so strongly expected as they were at times at Leyton. Everything ran the better of the game, and were the first to score, and the Corinthians put in a couple of goals, and looked like winning, until very late in the game, when the Leyton players, for the League team, the result being a draw of 2 goals each. A match was played at the Oval between a "London" team and the Army, but did not prove very interesting. The Army won by 3 goals to 1. London had all the best of the second half, and the result was a draw of 4 goals each. Old Carthusians and Tottenham Hotspur played a very good game, the latter being victorious. Tottenham were unfortunate in having several of their best men away, but it is doubtful whether, in any case, they could have done better. Tottenham were beaten by 3 goals to 1. Woolwich Arsenal, still unable to play on their own ground, entertained Gainsborough at Richmond. Tottenham was the hero of the match, as matters went they were beaten by 3 goals to 1. Woolwich Arsenal, still unable to play on their own ground, entertained Gainsborough at Richmond. Tottenham was the hero of the match, as matters went they were beaten by 3 goals to 1.

Wales and Ireland were contending for the wooden spoon at Rugby football, but the Welsh played a very good game, and Ireland would probably win somewhat easily. This did not happen, however, for the Irish forwards played a capital game, and again beat the Welsh, in a game which was a very close one. Each side scored a try in the first half, but that of Wales was an easy position and was converted; therefore, they won by a goal to a try. The Welsh played a very good game, and Ireland was almost as exciting as an international match; certainly it was more interesting to witness than the game at Richmond on the previous Saturday. The Welsh played a very good game, and Ireland was almost as exciting as an international match; certainly it was more interesting to witness than the game at Richmond on the previous Saturday.

The Yorkshire and Midland Cup were in full swing. In the former there were several big scores. Paddy beat Bruntcliffe by 76 points to 0; Bradford beat Threlkirk by 76 points to 0; Wakefield Trinity, who seem to have taken on a new lease of life, beat Knottingley by 33 points to 0; whilst there were several other scores well on in the twenties. The only leading club in the Midlands, the only one who fell to Liverpool by a penalty goal only, and Hull, who were beaten by Huddersfield by a goal and 3 tries to a goal in the Midlands. Huddersfield beat Bradford by 8 points to 0; and Moseley beat Stratford-Avon by 31 points to 0.

The necessity for having a tape at the finish of cross-country contests was demonstrated at East Finchley on the occasion of the English Horse-Team race. The tape was used to mark the finish line, and the winner was the team that crossed the tape first. The tape was used to mark the finish line, and the winner was the team that crossed the tape first.

ALLEGED INSURANCE FRAUDS. For the third time since the trial of the four men, George Thomas Sherlock, his son-in-law James Smith, Henry Moore, and Charles Walters, for conspiring together to defraud the Liverpool Victoria Fire and Marine Insurance Company, the case has been brought before the court. The case is a very serious one, and the court is expected to find the men guilty of the frauds.

THE GOVERNING BODY OF RUGBY HAVE appointed the Rev. H. A. James, B.D., Principal of Cheltenham College, as the headmaster, in succession to the Rev. Dr. Percival elected to the Episcopal Bench. A middle-aged lady visitor, named Annie Bullen, of London, committed suicide at Hastings on Thursday by jumping from the window of a house in White Rock, where she lodged on to the pavement below. She had been in deep despair, owing to family bereavement.

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THE LATE MR. CORNEY GRAM.

The illness with which Mr. Corney Gram was seized at the beginning of last week had, as we stated, a fatal termination on Saturday evening. Educated for the bar, to which, like his brother, he was called, Mr. Gram long ago gave up his intended profession for the art which, during the past 25 years, he followed with such marked success. Gifted with much skill as pianist and vocalist, as well as a most discriminating appreciation of the varied musical styles, Mr. Gram added to these a habit of observation, and a singularly genial humour in bantering the fashionable follies of the day. In the art of the monologue he improved very rapidly, and he ended by being quite without equal in the execution of the clever compositions in which he used to satirise such efforts as the penny reading quartet, the operatic flights of the ambitious amateur, or the more modest efforts of his social sketches himself, and the air of good breeding which was always suggested, even in his broadest fun, gave it a refinement such as distinguished it very favourably from that of most of his rivals. In addition to his long-continued partnership with Mr. Alfred Bateson, whose acquaintance he made in the early days of his career, and his regular work at St. George's Hall, Mr. Corney Gram fulfilled a great number of private engagements. A memorial service was held at St. Andrew's, Wells-street on Thursday, which was crowded. Ladies and gentlemen of his profession, comrades in the cause of the musical revival, came in deepest mourning. The coffin was covered with beautiful wreaths and crosses of lilies and other flowers, many of them sent by people who only knew him on the stage. Among other devices the coffin bore one in the shape of a musical note, "C" and "G" written in flowers as a state record of his life. The Rev. W. T. Holdsworth, in the course of an eloquent panegyric, gave expression. The congregation, many of them bitterly crying, "God bless him," as the coffin was lowered into the grave. The funeral took place on Friday, and the mourners were occupied chiefly by relatives, among them Mr. J. P. Gram, the well-known barrister, a brother of the deceased.

DEATH OF MRS. GERMAN REED. An extraordinary and melancholy coincidence was to be recorded the death, on Monday, of Mrs. German Reed, the mother of the late Mr. Corney Gram, following on that of her son and his famous partner, Mr. Corney Gram. In one week there had been the death of two of the most prominent figures in the musical world. Mrs. Reed was a very good pianist, and she was a very good singer. She was a very good pianist, and she was a very good singer.

LADY'S LOAN TRANSACTION. Before Mr. De Rutzen, at Westminster, the hearing was resumed of the summons against Maude Roy, a tall, fashionably attired woman, late of Addison-road, Kensington, who was charged with obtaining a loan of £200 by false and fraudulent representations from the executors of Joseph Scanes, pawnbroker, of Fulham-road. Accused, who, it was said, lived on means provided by a gentleman at the rate of £4,000 a year, caused a diamond bracelet to be pawned at the pawnshop's shop after it had been pawned at the pawnshop's shop. The pawnshop's shop was a very good one, and the pawnshop's shop was a very good one.

ALLEGED EXTRAORDINARY FRAUD. At Marlborough-street, Edwin Richards, of 5, Great Marlborough-street, and Henry Stone, of 5, Great Russell-street, and Frederick Gray, of 5, Great Russell-street, were summoned before Mr. Hannay for unlawfully conspiring to obtain a loan of £200 by false and fraudulent representations from the executors of Joseph Scanes, pawnbroker, of Fulham-road. The case is a very serious one, and the court is expected to find the men guilty of the frauds.

"CURE" FOR INFLUENZA. At Highgate, John Butler, 33, labourer, of Cannon-place, Harnsey Vale, was charged on remand with being drunk, breaking a glass-paned door at the Angel Inn, Highgate, on Saturday night, and leaving Mr. John Palmer, the landlord, prisoner, it appeared, after drinking rum and also mixed as a cure for influenza, went into the Angel Inn and left the door open, and the influenza had already taken effect on him, and, seeing his condition, the people at the Angel refused to serve him, and he was put out. He then went to the Angel Inn and left the door open, and the influenza had already taken effect on him, and, seeing his condition, the people at the Angel refused to serve him, and he was put out.

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A NOVEL.

BY THE AUTHORS OF "CONVICT NO." "MICHAEL DRED, DETECTIVE," &c.

"Lady Clara Vere de Vere. There stands a spectre in your hall: The guilt of blood is at your door: You charged a wholesome heart to gail."—TENTHON.

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